

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE Toshiki TAYA, et al. ART UNIT: 1634
APPLICATION
OF:

SERIAL NO.: 09/865,579 EXAMINER: Juliet Caroline SWITZER

FILING DATE: May 29, 2001

FOR: OLIGONUCLEOTIDES AND METHOD FOR DETECTION OF
MECA GENE OF METHICILLIN-RESISTANT
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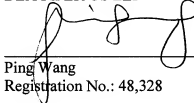
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SIR:

Further to our Status Inquiry dated December 5, 2005, Applicants respectfully inquires as to the status of the above-referenced patent application which was filed May 29, 2001. The Issue Fee was paid on March 24, 2005. The last known correspondence that was received from the USPTO was A Notice of Allowance that issued on June 15, 2006. Please advise as to when the above-referenced application will issue.

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